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**Partial Reply To Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

This is Applicants' partial reply to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2002. Applicants intend to complete the reply by filing a corrected declaration within the shortened 3-month statutory period for response, which is set to expire on June 13, 2002. The corrected declaration will refer to the amendment being filed today. No extension fee is due at this time.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and accompanying remarks.

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